Page 3 Page 1 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT INDEX FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI Page SOUTHERN DIVISION MONICA DANIEL HUTCHISON, Harold Emde Examination by Mr. Steelman. Plaintiff,)Case No. 09-3018-CV-S-RED Examination by Mr. Harris. 60 TEXAS COUNTY, MISSOURI; MICHAEL) R. ANDERSON, TEXAS COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY; and MICHAEL R. ANDERSON, Individually,)June 16, 2010 Defendants.)St. Louis, Missouri VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF HAROLD EMDE EXHIBITS: a Witness, produced, sworn and examined on the 16th day of EXHIBIT: PAGE: June, 2010, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. of that 38 - File of charge of discrimination 39 - Case log day, at the EEOC - St. Louis District Office - 1222 Spruce 40 - April 20, 2006, letter to Mr. Emde 10 Street, City of St. Louis, before 10 41 - May 4, 2006, letter to Harold Emde 42 - Memo of Phone Conversation - 5/10/06 12 JOANN RENEE RICHARDSON, CCR 43 - Phone interview notes of Mike Anderson 16 Certified Court Reporter 44 - Memo of Phone Conversation - 2/16/07 23 20051 State Route B 45 - Email to Allen & Rector 35 St. James. Missouri 65559 46 - Department of Justice letter in the above-entitled cause, pursuant to Notice to Take Video Deposition, on the part of the Plaintiff. 47 - Memo of Phone Conversation - 8/17/06 82-A - Same page as page 82 of Exhibit 38 38 48 - Handwritten notes - 10/17/06 70 Joann Renee Richardson Joann Renee Richardson 573-699-4110 * St. James, Missouri * 573-699-4110 * St. James, Missouri * Page 4 Page 2 APPEARANCES: 1 MR. SHAW: We are on the record at For the Plaintiff DAVID L. STEELMAN 2 11:18 a.m. Today's date is June 16th, 2010. We are Attorney at Law STEELMAN, GAUNT & HORSEFIELD 3 at the offices of the St. Louis District EEOC. The 901 Pine Street, Suite 110 Rolla, Missouri 65402 4 address is 1222 Spruce Street, St. Louis, Missouri. tel: (573) 341-8336 5 I'm Curt Shaw, legal videographer, along fax: (573) 341-8548 6 with Joann Richardson, certified court reporter, here For the Defendant Texas County, Missouri: COREY L. FRANKLIN 7 today for the deposition of Harold Emde, taken in the Attorney at Law THE LOWENBAUM PARTNERSHIP, LLC 8 cause of motion of Monica Daniel Hutchison vs. Texas 222 South Central Avenue, Suite 901 St. Louis, Missouri 63105 9 County, Missouri, et al. tel: (314) 863-0092 10 At this time, will counsel please give fax: (314) 746-4848 For the Defendant Michael R. Anderson, Individually: WARREN E. HARRIS 11 their representations for the record, beginning with 12 Mr. Steelman. TAYLOR, STAFFORD, CLITHERO, FITZGERALD & HARRIS 13 MR. STEELMAN: Thank you. My name is 3315 East Ridgeview, Suite 1000 Rolla, Missouri 65804 14 David Steelman, Mr. Emde, and I represent Monica tel: (417) 887-2020 fax: (417) 887-8431 15 Daniel Hutchison. 16 For the St. Louis District Office, EEOC: MS. BARBARA SEELY MR. FRANKLIN: Good morning, Mr. Emde, 17 Attorney at Law ST. LOUIS DISTRICT OFFICE, EEOC my name is Corey Franklin. I'm an attorney with the 18 Lowenbaum Partnership and I represent Texas County, 1222 Spruce Street, Room 8 100 St. Louis, Missouri 63101 tel: (314) 539-7880 19 Missouri, and to the extent that Michael R. Anderson fax: (314) 539-7893 20 is also a party as the Texas County Prosecuting 21 Also Present: Curt Shaw, videographer EXHIBIT INSTRUCTIONS: Attorney in his official capacity, I represent the 22 County in that respect as well. Plaintiff's Exhibits 38 through 48 were kept by the Reporter and attached to the original transcript; copies of 23 MR. HARRIS: And I'r all exhibits were attached to each copy of the transcript.
SIGNATURE INSTRUCTIONS: 24 represent Michael Anderson ind Signature waived 25 MS. SEELY: And I'm Joann Renee Richards Joann Renee Richardson * 573-699-4110 * St. James, Missouri * 573-699-4110 * St. Ja

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- reflected on this first case log, and it was done by an employee with the initials M.P.
- Q. I'm going to show you what's been marked as Exhibit 40, which is part of the file that I had without a name, and indicates a letter of April 20, 2006, from you to the Texas County Prosecutor. Would that be accurate?
 - A. Yes, it is.

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- Q. And what was the purpose of that letter?
- A. To let the respondent know that I have the charge, I'll be the person investigating it, and asking the respondent to contact me and let me know that they received notification of the charge and who my point of contact will be during the investigation, with phone numbers and addresses, and whether or not they're represented by an attorney and, if so, who that attorney is. And if we had requested documents, I was asking whether or not they needed an extension to respond to that.
- Q. Mr. Emde, I want to hand you what's been marked as Exhibit 41 and can you tell me, sir, if Joann Renee Richardson
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- - A. To the best of my knowledge, it is.
- Q. I want to show you now what has been marked as Exhibit 42. And, again, this is two pages that come from the file, but I want you to make sure that these go together.

I will represent to you it says, "Memo of phone conversation" and some notes. And this is how it came to us, but I want to make sure that this is accurate. So I'm going to show you Exhibit 42 and could you identify, please, the first and the second page?

- A. The first page is a memo of a telephone conversation that I had on May 10, 2006, with Mike Anderson.
- Q. Do you know if you called him or he called you?
- 22 A. I do not know.
- 23 Q. Okay. Now, is the first page of Exhibit 42 24 your handwriting completely?
 - A. Yes, it is.

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Monica had said to him that she had destroyed the

I didn't ask that very well, Mr. Emde, and

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A. Would you please repeat that?

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prepared the notes or when you wrote the notes down.

A. My notes are handwritten and the notes were

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How did you do this from interviewing, these notes?

part of the numbering of the exhibit.

- A. They look to be the same.
- Q. Thank you. Now, in the left-hand corner -and tell me if you agree -- "notes used first meeting, Monica," that is not your handwriting; is that correct?

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- A. That is not my handwriting.
- Q. But that appears in the official -- your official file the same as it does on Exhibit 23; is that correct?
 - That's correct.
- O. Now, did you review those notes that he sent you?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. Do you recall or if you want to look at them now -- whether the notes indicated to you or said anything about either a sex ring on the part of Monica Daniel Hutchison or criminal activity?
- I do not recall without reading the documents.

MR. STEELMAN: Go ahead and take a moment. Let's go off the record for just a second. MR. SHAW: We're off the record at 11:58 a.m.

> (Off the record.) Joann Renee Richardson

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(Back on the record.) MR. SHAW: We're back on the record at 12:04 p.m.

BY MR. STEELMAN:

- Q. Mr. Emde, we're back on the record. Have you had time to review Exhibit 23, which are the notes that Mr. Anderson, or Mr. Harris on behalf of Mr. Anderson, sent you and at the top say, "Notes of first meeting." Have you had a chance to review those?
 - A. Yes, I have.
- Q. And did you find any reference in them to either a sex ring or criminal activity on the part of Monica Daniel Hutchison hiding subpoenas or destroying investigative files or anything like that?
 - A. I did not.
- Q. Now, I want to refer back to Exhibit 43. Now, what I have done, so the record is clear, during the interim, because we're referring to different pages, I have numbered the exhibit itself 1 through 10 in red in my handwriting at the bottom, so I'll try to use some of those pages as you refer to that. Is that agreeable with you, sir?

A. Yes.

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- harassment complaint against you?"
 - Q. And what did he say?
- A. (Reading): I don't remember. I had been hearing that for about six months. Christine Wheeler told me and my wife that Daniel was going to work for Joann Renee Richardson
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two years, until she got her graduate degree, and then would sue me.

- Q. And, finally, Mr. Emde, if you would go to the second to last page of your handwritten notes.
 - A. That would be number nine?
- Q. And if you correct me if I'm wrong, but I believe that you will remember that in the notes in the first contact you had, he made some allegations regarding her making unwanted sexual advances; do you recall that?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And would you read the question that you asked and the answer that Mr. Anderson gave during this phone interview with regard to those allegations?
 - A. Are we talking about Page 9?
 - Q. Yes.
- A. Okay. (Reading): In the statements you submitted from Christina -- Christiana Wheeler and Stephanie Creek, neither mentions that you were targets of sexual advances by Ms. Daniel, as you contend in your letter to the Commission, dated May 16, 2009. What evidence do you have to support these allegations? (Reading answer): The statements that they gave me. This was related to me by them.

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off the record at 12:11 p.m. (Off the record.)

(Back on the record.)

MR. SHAW: We're back on the record at 12:18 p.m. This begins tape number two in the deposition of Harold Emde. Please proceed. BY MR. STEELMAN:

- Q. Mr. Emde, we're back on the record. Before I go to my questions regarding Exhibits 10, 11 and 13, which have been previously marked in this case, you indicated the file had jogged your memory with regard to one answer that you gave. Would you explain that, sir?
- A. As I recollect, you asked me if I had any recollection of a tape, I believe an audiotape --
 - Q. Yes, sir.
- A. that was referenced on the document I was looking at, and I answered that I did not. I wasn't sure if there was more than one tape. And when I read the first line of the next paragraph, I immediately recalled it, okay, yes, I do remember it, so.
- Q. Okay. And did you listen to that tape as part of your investigation; do you recall?

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Q. Finally, if you go to the last page, number ten, you had one further question that is reflected in these notes. And can you read what question you asked Mr. Anderson and his answer?

A. (Reading): During Ms. Daniel's employment, when, if ever, did an employee allege that they were subjected to a sexually hostile work environment by Ms. Daniel? (Reading answer): They never told me until after she left. You can speak to them if you want.

Q. And, again, just to recap, all of what we were going through with Exhibit 43 was in your handwriting and your notes from the phone interview with Mr. Anderson, with his attorney, Warren Harris, also on the line; is that correct?

A. Correct.

Q. Thank you. Now, what I'd like to do now, if it's agreeable with you, Mr. Emde, because I think this involves several documents and rather than be doing this on the tape, I'd ask that we go off the record so that I can distribute everything to counsel and give you copies. Is that agreeable?

A. Yes.

MR. SHAW: This is going to end tape number one of the deposition of Harold Emde. We are Joann Renee Richardson

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A. I would have to look at my log in order to determine that.

Q. Don't worry about that.

A. Okay.

Q. Well, maybe we should clear that up. Can you refer to your log? We'll take whatever time you need.

A. On December 26th, 2006, I reviewed Charging Party's audiotape.

Q. Thank you very much, Mr. Emde. And, finally, your attorney, Ms. Seely, had caught something that I had actually missed. And if you go back to Page 9 of Exhibit 43, we're concerned that maybe that was misread, so would you just read Page 9 again?

A. (Reading): In the statements you submitted from Christiana Wheeler and Stephanie Creek, neither mentions that they were targets of sexual advances by Ms. Daniel as you contend in your letter to the Commission, dated May 16, 2006. What evidence do you have to support these allegations? (Reading answer): Statements that they gave me. This was related to me by them.

Q. And, again, that was just -- there was some concern that you had read the word "they" as the word Joann Renee Richardson

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- "you." And it's "they" were targets; correct?
- A. Statements that they gave me, this was related to me by them.
- Q. Now, I've handed you exhibits -- and I handed to all counsel Exhibits 10, 13. And, particularly, Exhibit 10, I have highlighted in yellow a statement that -- well, a newspaper article and a quote that the newspaper indicates was given by Mr. Anderson to the Houston Herald, which is a newspaper in Houston, Missouri. Do you see that highlighted statement?
 - A. I do.

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- Q. And would you read that, please?
- A. (Reading): These are the same claims investigated by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the Department of Justice. Those investigations found no basis for a claim then, and nothing has changed.
- Q. Now, in particular, the statement that those investigations found no basis for a claim then, is that statement, if, in fact, Mr. Anderson gave it, an accurate statement of the position of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or the Department of Justice?

MR. HARRIS: I object, lack of Joann Renee Richardson

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A. When an employer is a public employer and the charge is Title 7 and we find cause on the charge, issue a letter of determination, and the following conciliation is unsuccessful, I do a conciliation failure and submit the charge through the chain of command here at EEOC for sufficient to the justice department for review.

Q. And in your experience, does the justice department take these cases very often, or do they leave them to private litigation?

MR. FRANKLIN: I'm going to object that it calls for speculation.

MR. HARRIS: Join.

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- Q. Let me hand you just what's been marked as Exhibit 45, Mr. Emde. Go ahead, sir. In your experience, does the justice department take over these cases very often, or do they leave them to private litigation?
- A. In my experience, they do not take very many.
- Q. And are you aware -- and I don't want to ask questions that are outside of your purview -- of the necessity, before a claimant can file, to receive what we call a Right to Sue letter from the justice Joann Renee Richardson
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foundation. He's not been established as knowing anything or having any knowledge of what the Department of Justice did or didn't do.

MR. STEELMAN: That's a fair objection. I can get to that later with the letter. BY MR. STEELMAN:

- Q. Let me re-ask that question, Mr. Emde; is this agreeable?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Is that statement an accurate reflection of the decision by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission? And I would refer you to the determination, Exhibit 11, too.
- A. It is not true that those investigations found no basis for a claim then and nothing has changed. I really don't know what nothing has changed means, but.
- Q. So that my question and answer is clear, is part of his statement that those investigations found no basis for a claim then, is that a true statement?
- A. It is inaccurate with respect to the investigation that I conducted of this charge.
- Q. Okay. Are you aware and can even answer a question with regards to how the process works and the Department of Justice even gets involved?

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- department giving the claimant the right to go forward?
- A. The claimant must receive a Right to Sue from the justice department, yes.
 - Q. I'm showing you what's been previously marked as Exhibit 13, which I've handed you. And is that an example -- well, it's there somewhere. But is that an example of what we refer to as a Right to Sue letter from the justice department?
 - A. I've never seen one of these before.
 - Q. Okay. They're issued separately by the justice department. You don't see them; is that right?
 - A. I've never seen one.
 - Q. Okay. Mr. Emde, thank you very much. I just want to refer back again to Mr. Anderson's letter of May 4th and his promise to be fully cooperative; do you recall that?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Did he ever, at any time during any of his contact with you, either in person or by counsel, reveal to you that he had requested investigations by the Missouri Attorney General's Office that had come up with no evidence of wrongdoing?

MR. FRANKLIN: I'm going to object and Joann Renee Richardson

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Page 37 Page 39 1 showed the entire record at the bottom. say lack of foundation. 1 2 BY MR. STEELMAN: 2 And would you now read the entire sentence, 3 Q. Go ahead, sir. 3 the last two lines at the bottom of what was Page 82 4 A. I don't know. 4 and is now Page 82-A and going to be included in the 5 5 Q. Do you know - is it possible just by document? 6 6 referring to your log as to whether you can say A. (Reading): Now living with a cop and his 7 whether there's no indication in the file that you 7 wife. Cop under investigation. Records missing. 8 received any of that information from Mr. Anderson, 8 Attorney General involved. 9 9 or his attorney, Mr. Harris? Q. Did Mr. Anderson explain to you what he 10 A. I wouldn't be able to tell that from the 10 meant by Attorney General involved, or do you know? 11 log. I would have to look through the Tab D section 11 A. I don't know. 12 of the charge. 12 MR. STEELMAN: Mr. Emde, thank you so 13 much for your time today. I appreciate it. I have MR. STEELMAN: Let's go off the record 13 14 14 no further questions at this time. for just a second so you can look through the Tab D. 15 And this will be my last question to you. 15 16 MR. SHAW: We're off the record at 16 EXAMINATION BY MR. FRANKLIN: 17 17 12:27, p.m. Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Emde. 18 18 (Off the record.) Good afternoon. 19 19 Q. As we introduced ourselves --20 (Back on the record.) 20 MR. STEELMAN: Can we go off the 21 MR. SHAW: We're back on the record at 21 record real quick --22 12:41. Please proceed. 22 MR. FRANKLIN: Sure. 23 BY MR. STEELMAN: 23 MR. STEELMAN: -- to put this exhibit 24 Q. Mr. Emde, before we had gone off the 24 back together? 25 record, I was asking you whether Mr. Anderson or his 25 MR. FRANKLIN: No problem Joann Renee Richardson Joann Renee Richardson 573-699-4110 * St. James, Missouri * 573-699-4110 * St. James, Missouri * Page 38 Page 40 1 attorney, Mr. Harris, had revealed to you the results 1 MR. SHAW: Off the record at 12:43 2 of an investigation by the Missouri Attorney 2 p.m. 3 3 General's Office that he had requested. And you, at (Off the record.) 4 that time, thought it was necessary to review the 4 5 5 file: is that correct? (Back on the record.) 6 6 A. That's correct. MR. SHAW: We're back on the record at 7 7 Q. Did your review of the official file of 12:44 p.m. 8 8 this investigation indicate that either Mr. Anderson BY MR. FRANKLIN: 9 or his attorney ever revealed to you, during any part 9 O. Good afternoon, Mr. Emde. 10 10 of the investigation, the results of the Good afternoon. 11 investigation that Mr. Anderson requested from the 11 Q. As we introduced ourselves earlier this 12 Missouri Attorney General's Office? 12 morning, my name is Corey Franklin. I'm an attorney 13 A. I do not recall ever receiving the results 13 with the Lowenbaum Partnership and I represent Texas 14 of the investigation. 14 County, Missouri, as well as Michael R. Anderson, 15 Q. And does that include, you never recall 15 Defendant, in his official capacity as the prosecutor 16 16 receiving the results of their forensic investigation in Texas County, Missouri. 17 of the computers in the prosecutor's office; is that 17 As your testimony that's being taped today 18 right? 18 may be used at trial in lieu of your live appearance, 19 19 I do not recall that. I'd like to go through some prerequisite questions, 20 Q. Okay. Now, one more thing to clear up --20 and then I'm going to ask you a series of substantive 21 21 and, again, I want to express my appreciation to you questions. Is that all right? 22 and Ms. Seely of the office for helping us. 22 A. Yes. 23 23 I've marked what is called Exhibit 82-A, Q. Okay. In response to those substantive 24 which was Page 82 in the official file, but we were 24 questions, I'm going to ask that you provide me with 25 able, with Ms. Seely's help, to obtain a copy that 25 an audible answer, a yes, a no, or a narrative, as Joann Renee Richardson Joann Renee Richardson 573-699-4110 * St. James, Missouri * 573-699-4110 * St. James, Missouri *